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GLORIA MOLINA CONGRATULATES 'IT CAME FROM A BOOK!' BOOKMARK CONTEST WINNERS

All Four Winners from First District Hail from San Gabriel Valley

LOS ANGELES (February 12, 2013)—Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina announced today the First District winners of the county Public Library's 33rd Annual Bookmark Contest, all of whom reside in the San Gabriel Valley. This year's theme was "It Came from a Book!" ("¡Vino del Libro!")

"We're all so very proud of every one of these children, who reflected the importance and enjoyment of reading in their winning bookmarks," Molina said.

This year's First District winners are:

Cheng Han Li – A second grade student at Condit Elementary School who uses the Claremont Public Library, he takes drawing, piano, and swimming lessons. His favorite subject is math and he aspires to one day be a dentist. Cheng Han's favorite book is *The Wolf's Chicken Stew* by Keiko Kasza.

Wendy Fei – A fourth grader at Collegewood Elementary School who studies at the Baldwin Park Public Library, she is a member of the Girl Scouts who loves music and volleyball. She hopes to one day become a teacher or a fashion designer. Wendy's favorite book is *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume.

Ishbel Daneth Meza – A seventh grader at Muscatel Middle School who visits the El Monte Public Library, she loves to draw and read. An excellent scholar with straight As, she enjoys algebra and dreams of becoming a doctor. Ishbel's favorite book is *The Bible*.

Shannon Yong – A freshman at Baldwin Park High School who studies at the Montebello Public Library, she enjoys participating in speech, debate, and art clubs. Her favorite subjects are Biology and English, and Shannon hopes to one day be a Bio-Medical Engineer. Her favorite books are *The Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger and *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Images of the winning bookmarks – and photos of today's board presentation – are available upon request; at www.molina.lacounty.gov in the "Photo Gallery" section; or at www.colapublib.org/children/bookmark.

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